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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-7 (canceled)

Claim 6 (previously presented) The fastener as set forth in claim 16, wherein said fastener part and said fastening arms comprise ramps corresponding to each other.

Claims 9-15 (canceled)

Claim 16 (currently amended) Apparatus comprising:

a gas bag module including an inflator mount and two fastening arms configured integrally with said inflator mount; and

a fastener part configured integrally with a steering wheel,

said fastening arms entering into a snap-action connection with said fastener part and clasping said fastener part in a connected condition to connect said gas bag module and said inflator mount with the steering wheel,

said fastening arms comprising hooks having <u>first</u> contact surface areas and said fastener part comprising a concave <u>second</u> contact surface area into which said <u>first</u> contact surface areas of said hooks engage in said connected condition,

said first contact surface areas being directed towards
the inflator mount, said second contact surface areas being
directed away from the inflator mount and

said engagement of said first and second contact surface areas with each other securing the inflator mount against a tension in a direction substantially perpendicular to the directions the first and second contact surface areas are directed.

Claim 17 (canceled)

Claim 18 (previously presented) Apparatus comprising:

a gas bag module including an inflator mount and two fastening arms configured integrally with said inflator mount; and

a fastener part configured integrally with a steering wheel,

said fastening arms entering into a snap-action connection with said fastener part and clasping said fastener part in a connected condition to connect said gas bag module and said inflator mount with the steering wheel,

said fastening arms comprising hooks having contact surface areas and said fastener part comprising a contact surface area into which said contact surface areas of said hooks engage in said connected condition,

said fastener part and said fastening arms comprising ramps corresponding to each other,

said ramps of said fastener part including an angle and said hooks sliding back towards the apex of said angle should the connection fail to be made.

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Claim 19 (canceled)